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Hiroaki TOOYAMA Art Unit: 1645

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For: **DAMPING DEVICE** 

## **Second Status Inquiry Letter**

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In follow-up to our initial Status Inquiry electronically filed on October 5, 2007, to date, we have not received a response from the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

As indicated in our October 5, 2007 inquiry, a review of the U. S. Patent & Trademark Office's PAIR System indicated that the response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) and payment of Surcharge Late Fee electronically filed on March 7, 2007 in the above-identified patent application has not been made of record. To date, the Applicant has not received a Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 & 37 CFR § 1.495 nor an Official Filing Receipt for the above-identified patent application. Please advise the undersigned of the present status of the above-identified patent application.

U.S. Application No.: 10/597,072 Attorney Docket No.: 2261,0050000

A second copy of the Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements and payment of Surcharge Late Fee as filed on March 7, 2007 is enclosed for your reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: May 28, 2008

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### **Acknowledgement Receipt**

The USPTO has received your submission at 17:17:03 Eastern Time on 07-MAR-2007 .

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EFS ID	1572546		
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### **Application Details**

Submitted Files	Page Count	Document Description	File Size	Warnings
2261_0050000_371Transmittal2.pdf	3	PCT-Transmittal Letter	130731 bytes	◆ PASS
2261_0050000CombinedDecPOA.pdf	2	Oath or Declaration filed	72647 bytes	♦ PASS
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	CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/597,072	
	ATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/015269	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 15 October 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 13 January 2004	
	INVENTION PING DEVICE			
	NT(S) FOR DO/EO/US i TOOYAMA			
Applicar	nt herewith submits to the United Sta	ates Designated/Elected Office (DO/EC	O/US) the following items and other information:	
1.	This is a FIRST submission of items co	oncerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371		
2. X	This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> s	submission of items concerning a submission	n under 35 U.S.C. 371.	
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4.	The US has been elected (Article 31).			
5.	A copy of the International Application	n as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))		
	a. is attached hereto (required	only if not communicated by the Internation	al Bureau).	
	b. has been communicated by	the International Bureau.	4	
	c. is not required, as the applic	cation was filed in the United States Receiving	1	
6.	An English language translation of the	e International Application as filed (35 U.S.C	. 371(c)(2)).	
	a. is attached hereto.			
	b. has been previously submit	tted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
7.	7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))			
	a. are attached hereto (requir	red only if not communicated by the Internati	onal Bureau).	
	b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.			
	c. have not been made; howe	ever, the time limit for making such amendm	ents has NOT expired.	
	d. have not been made and will not be made.			
8. 📙	An English language translation of the	e amendments to the claims under PCT Arti-	cle 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).	
9. X	An oath or declaration of the inventor(	s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).		
An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).				
Items	11 to 20 below concern document(s)	or information included:		
11.	1. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.			
12.	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.			
13.	3. A preliminary amendment.			
14.	4. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.			
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16. X	6. X A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.			
17.	7. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.			
18.	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).			
A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).				

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 15 minutes to complete, including gathering information, preparing, and submitting the completed form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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21. 🔲 Bas	ic national fee (37	CFR 1.492(a))		\$300	\$	
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